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### **SB55-21/22: Resolution Endorsing the Use of Student Facility Fees to Renovate Mansfield Library Level Four and Implement the University of Montana Main Campus External Lighting Upgrade Project**

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**The Associated Students of the University of Montana**  
**Resolution Endorsing The Use of Student Facility Fees to Renovate Mansfield Library**  
**Level Four and Implement the University of Montana Main Campus External Lighting**  
**Upgrade Project**

**December 8, 2021**

**SB55-21/22**

**Authored by: Noah Durnell, ASUM President; Elizabeth Bowles, ASUM Senator; Canyon**  
**S. Lock, ASUM Vice President;**

Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (“ASUM”) represents students at the University of Montana (“UM”);

Whereas, UM is an institute of higher education whose primary function is to provide enrolled students with an enriching and meaningful education;

Whereas, Paul Lasiter, Vice President of Operations and Finance, Deena Mansour, Director of the Mansfield Center, and Brian Kerns, UM Project Engineer, came before the Senate to seek support for renovations to level four of the Mansfield Library and the implementation of the UM Main Campus External Lighting Upgrade Project (“CELUP”);

Whereas, The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Library (the “Library”) is a critical space for student learning and engagement, including education on global challenges;

Whereas, The Mansfield Center and the Global Leadership Office are two essential academic units providing global and civic leadership education;

Whereas, Bringing the functions of three critical units focused on global affairs physically together will facilitate the ability for UM students to come together and harness their creativity to tackle real-world local and global challenges;

Whereas, The renovation of the Library will provide a more functional, welcoming, and aesthetically comfortable space for students;

Whereas, The renovation of the Library will provide for more efficient book storage through compact shelving, thus freeing space for student engagement to better support UM students in becoming globally minded leaders of integrity;

Whereas, The renovation of the Library will provide state-of-the-art virtual reality and classroom space for technologically advanced language and culture learning able to bring together students across Montana and the world;

Whereas, The renovation of the Library will support the development of an advanced language laboratory to bring cutting-edge pedagogy and technical resources to UM;

Whereas, The renovation of the Library is projected to cost \$1,250,000.00;

Whereas, In 2018, ASUM passed SB39-17/18: Resolution Regarding Street Lights on Campus<sup>1</sup>;

Whereas, ASUM passed SB24-21/22: Resolution Endorsing the University of Montana Main Campus External Lighting Upgrade Project<sup>2</sup>;

Whereas, SB24-21/22: Resolution Endorsing the University of Montana Main Campus External Lighting Upgrade Project advocated for Paul Lasiter, Vice President of Operations and Finance, to collaborate with ASUM on finding additional funds to fulfill the project in full;

Whereas, The implementation of CELUP is projected to cost \$2,500,000.00;

Whereas, Board of Regents policy 940.3 states:

*When a construction project to be financed by new or existing building fees in an amount more than \$200,000, an election or survey of student opinion shall be conducted by the duly constituted student government organization on the proposition. The determination of which means of ascertaining student views is to be used shall be made by the campus administration in consultation with the student government.;*

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That ASUM hereby endorses the use of the Facility Fee in the amount of \$1,250,000.00 to accomplish Mansfield Library renovations to enhance global education provided to UM by the Mansfield Center and the Global Leadership Initiative;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That ASUM hereby endorses the use of the Facility Fee in the amount of \$3,750,000.00 to implement CELUP to enact what was advocated for in SB24-21/22: Resolution Endorsing the University of Montana Main Campus External Lighting Upgrade Project;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That this Resolution be sent to: Paul Lasiter, Vice President for Operations and Finance; Deena Mansour, Executive Director of the Mansfield Center; Brian Kerns, UM Project Engineer; Reed Humphrey, Acting Provost; Nathan Lindsay, Associate Vice Provost of Academic Affairs.

Passed by ASUM Senate: December 8, 2021

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<sup>1</sup> Fitzpatrick, Connor. "SB39-17/18 Resolution Regarding Street Lights on Campus". Associated Students of the University of Montana, [https://scholarworks.umt.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1664&context=asum\\_resolutions](https://scholarworks.umt.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1664&context=asum_resolutions). Accessed October 4, 2021.

<sup>2</sup> Durnell, Noah & Bowles, Elizabeth. SB24-21/22 Resolution Endorsing the University of Montana Main Campus External Lighting Upgrade Project. *Associated Students of the University of Montana*, October 2, 2021. <https://www.umt.edu/asum/student-government/agendas-and-minutes.php>. Accessed December 3, 2021.



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88 Canyon S. Lock,

89 Chair of the Senate

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91 Passed Unanimously.